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Town Hall Meeting Focuses on Growing Demand for Local Meat

LAKEWOOD, Colo. – The Colorado Department of Agriculture invites the public to attend a town hall meeting focusing on meat processing and inspections; topics include the inspection process, facility requirements, custom exempt processing facility requirements, and marketing opportunities and assistance.

“We are continuing our effort to discuss this important topic with producers. During our first meetings in February, we heard concerns and ideas related to the buying local movement and the ability to get meat processed locally,” said CDA’s Inspection and Consumer Services Division Director, Steve Bornmann. “Our hope is to find out more about the needs of our producers and meat processors and how we can assist in developing new marketing opportunities.”

The meeting is open to the public, free of charge, and everyone is invited to participate. Commissioner of Agriculture, John Salazar, and staff from the Colorado Department of Agriculture will be in attendance. Snacks will be served.

June 7, 2013: 7:00-9:00 a.m., Western State Colorado University, University Center, South Conference Room, Gunnison, CO

Directions from the West: Hwy 50 to Colorado Street, take a left turn, then turn right onto Escalante Drive, drive by the university gym and take first right into University Center parking lot.

Directions from the East: Hwy 50 to Adams Street (by McDonalds), take a right turn, then turn right onto Georgia Ave, continue up the hill (which becomes Escalante Drive). Take left turn as you begin down the hill into the University Center parking lot.

The entrance to the South Conference Room is on the east side of the University Center building.

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